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U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/645,778 for METHODS AND Re: SYSTEMS FOR FACILITATING **TRANSACTIONS** BETWEEN COMMERCIAL BANKS AND POOLED DEPOSITOR GROUPS

Our File No. 1483/3

Sir:

Please find enclosed in connection with the subject U.S. patent application the following documents:

- A Preliminary Amendment (13 pages);
- Amendment Transmittal (2 pages) in duplicate; and 2.
- A return-receipt postcard to be returned to us with the U.S. Patent and 3. Trademark Office filing stamp thereon.

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#### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Whiting et al.

Application No.: 10/645,778

Group No.: 3629

Examiner: Not Assigned

Filed: 08/21/2003 For:

METHODS AND SYSTEMS FOR FACILITATING

TRANSACTIONS BETWEEN

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#### AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

### **STATUS**

2. Applicant is a small entity.

#### **EXTENSION OF TERM**

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

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#### FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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# PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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## <u>AMENDMENTS</u>

Please amend the subject U.S. Patent Application as indicated on the following sheets:

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